Solubility of Thiophene in Propane– N,N-Dimethylformamide at Temperatures from 313 to 363 K

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The extraction of sulfur compounds from gasoline is important for the petroleum industry. As a first step, knowledge of the solubility behavior of sulfur in supercritical solvents is critical for the development of new separation process in the refining industry. In this work, a static analytic apparatus was used to determine experimental solubilities of thiophene in carbon dioxide— N,N-dimethylformamide from 313 to 353 K. The equilibrium cell is made of titanium alloy (TA6V); it comprises two symmetrical titanium holders for sapphire windows, two caps holding one or three RolsiTM samplers according to the temperature of the study, 473 K or 673 K respectively. The internal volume of the cell is approximately 100 cc.

The experimental data are represented using the Patel-Teja equation of state with Wong-Sandler type mixing rules. In this work, our experimental data are well represented by the model.